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N. S. Lobster Market.

Weather conditions this year have been very favorable for the consumptive demand of lobsters in shell shipped to American markets and also for that of canned lobsters in European countries. In England picnic parties are much in evidence and these consume large quantities of preserved foods such as are easily carried and require but little or no cooking to prepare, and it is in this respect that the lobster—as a modified luxury—finds its place upon the menu. The effect upon the available supplies is thus more marked in this respect, though not felt until the average grocer finds it necessary to replenish the stocks on his shelves.

Against this, however, the reported closing of the Lancashire cotton mills will have a counteracting result in the north of England in the same way as the unemployed situation in other centres has been found to be detrimental for high-priced foods.

No change in prices is apparent and no active demand is being felt yet for the Newfoundland lobsters that are now coming forward.—Maritime Merchant.

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FOUR SEINERS REPORTED TODAY

QUARTETTE LANDED NEARLY 50,000 POUNDS OF MACKEREL HERE.

Four of the local seining fleet arrived this morning and last night, two of them bringing fares of small blink mackerel and the others 10,000 pounds each of large fish. The mackerel were taken out at the Fort for shipment. Sch. Laura Goulart, with 200,000 pounds of fresh fish, arrived this morning for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Sch. Laura Goulart, haddocking, 200,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Hope Leslie, seining, 15,000 lbs. blink mackerel.
Boat St Rita, seining, 12,000 lbs. large mackerel.
Boat Linta, seining, 10,000 lbs. large mackerel.
Boat Fannie Powell, seining, 12,000 lbs. blink mackerel.
Sch. Huntington Sanford, via Boston.
Sch. Cape Ann, via Boston.

Sailed.

Sch. Herbert Parker, dragging.
Sch. Grace and Evelyn, dragging.
Sch. Amelia M. Pereira, dragging.
Sch. Raymonde, dragging.
Sch. Leonora C., dragging.

GROUND FISH IS STILL ABUNDANT

OVER A MILLION POUNDS AT BOSTON THIS MORNING—PRICES UNCHANGED.

A fleet of 23 vessels brought fares to the Boston fish pier this morning and receipts of groundfish were heavy again. Prices remained about the same as yesterday.

Receipts totalled 1,034,000 pounds of groundfish, 202 swordfish, 15,000 pounds of halibut, 44,000 pounds of mackerel, 95,000 pounds of mixed fish, 8,000 pounds of tinker mackerel and 17,000 pounds of salt fish. One fare, that of str. Comber, was not reported.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Str. Curlew, 120,000 haddock, 8,000 cod, 5,000 mixed fish.
Str. Shawmut, 75,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 8,500 mixed fish.
Str. William J. O'Brien, 80,000 haddock, 42,000 cod, 4,500 mixed fish.
Str. White Cap, 110,000 haddock, 30,000 mixed fish.
Sch. Carrie S. Roderick, 68 swordfish.
Sch. Philip P. Manta, 66 swordfish.
Sch. Newcastle, 61 swordfish.
Str. Foam, 115,000 haddock, 17,000 mixed fish.
Boat Lucia, 70,000 haddock, 5,000 cod, 5,000 mixed fish.
Str. Comber, (fare not reported).
Sch. Louise B. Marshall, 36,000 haddock, 45,000 cod, 14,000 hake.
Sch. Marjorie Parker, 24,000 haddock, 23,000 cod.
Sch. Shamrock, 65,000 haddock, 39,000 cod, 8,000 hake.
Sch. Ingomar, 4,000 haddock, 29,000 cod, 3,000 pollock, 4 swordfish.
Sch. Colleen, 45,000 haddock, 3,000 mixed fish.
Sch. Natalie Hammond, 15,000 halibut, 7 swordfish, 17,000 salt fish, 28,000 fresh fish.
Boat North Star, 18,000 mackerel.
Boat Albatross, 22,000 mackerel.
Sch. Alice and Mildred, 4,000 mackerel, 8,000 tinkers.
Boat Princess, 4,800 mixed fish.
Boat Lena W., 900 mixed fish.
Boat Gov. Prentice, 5,600 mixed fish.
Boat Rosie, 3,500 mixed fish.
Haddock, \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$2.25; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$2; gray sole, 6 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 9 cents; black backs, 4 cents; yellow tails, 6 cents; dabs, 6 cents; mackerel, 6.75 to 7 cents; halibut, 28 cents for white; 22 cents for gray; swordfish, 12 cents to 19 cents; blinks, 4 1-2 cents to 5 cents; catfish, 5 cents.

GROUND FISH AND FLOUNDERS AT N. Y.

New York arrivals today:
Str. Sea Hawk, 80,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.
Sch. Charles Ashley, 25,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 10,000 flounders.
Sch. William Killgrew, 10,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 12,000 flounders.
The fare of the Winifred Martin yesterday sold for three cents for haddock, four cents for cod and three cents for small flounders. The vessel had no large flounders.

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SOUTH FISHERMEN DISCUSSING RACE

Manager Hart of the Chamber of Commerce has received a communication from Anthony V. Ragusin, secretary of the Biloxi, Mississippi, Chamber of Commerce asking for specific information regarding Gloucester fishing vessels that compete in the fishermen's race, and the possibility of sometime staging a race between the fishermen of these two ports.

Accompanying Mr. Ragusin's letter was a full page sheet from the Times-Picayune which gives views of the races held on July 10 and also presents a short story on each of the craft entered in the contest. The story refers in many places to the races that have been held in past years off of Gloucester and offers the same suggestion as made in Mr. Ragusin's letter of sometime bringing together the fishermen of Biloxi and Gloucester providing the craft of these fishing ports could in any wise be matched.

Owing to the different type vessels engaged in the fisheries at Biloxi, the difference in size, sail area, etc., such a race could hardly be held, but it is extremely interesting to note that fishing ports other than Gloucester are as keen in such competitive races among their fishermen as we are here locally.

The Letter.

The letter from the Biloxi Chamber of Commerce follows:
The Chamber of Commerce, Gloucester, Mass.

Gentlemen—I am enclosing herewith a sheet taken from the New Orleans Times Picayune Sunday magazine section. This article appeared in more than 50 Sunday newspapers, through the Philadelphia Public Ledger. It is entitled "When Biloxi Schoon-

ers Put Out To Play", and is self-explanatory, and I shall appreciate it very much if you will kindly review the pictures and article.

Biloxi, as you no doubt know, is a very prominent resort city, and in addition to that, it is a big fishing centre, our principal seafood being shrimp and oysters, and we understand that Gloucester is quite a fishing centre, itself, and no doubt, you have many fishing boats in your port, and this being true, I shall appreciate it very much if you will kindly send me a few pictures of your fishing boats, especially photographs of the fishing schooners. Also let me know something about the size of the schooners, as I would like to compare them with the schooners in this section.

We secure quite a bit of publicity through our annual regatta, especially through the schooner race, and it occurred to me that perhaps at some later date, it might be possible to stage an annual race between the champion of your fleet and the champion of ours, and determine through this, the champion schooner of the United States, and perhaps it may lead on to an international championship.

Of course, not knowing conditions in your section, or the possibility of transporting these boats from one section to another, we are more or less floundering in our thoughts, nevertheless, something advantageous to you and ourselves may come out of an exchange of letters on the subject, therefore if you feel as though it would be practical to stage such a race at some future date, we shall be glad to discuss the matter further.

Awaiting a full and complete reply to this letter and with kindest regards and best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

Anthony J. Ragusin,
Secretary.

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BELIEVE WRECKAGE THAT OF PORTLAND YACHT

Wreckage found floating off of Se-
ruin last Friday by the Beals, Me.,
freighter Lizzie J. Clark, Capt. John
Barry, which is discharging a cargo of
salt fish at the P. J. O'Brien wharf is
believed to have come from a yacht of

the Portland yacht club, identification
having been made by means of the
code flag recovered with the spar,
spreaders and other parts of the craft
picked up.

It is reported that the craft, in a
disabled condition, was picked up off
of the Maine coast by a Gloucester
fishing schooner and towed to Booth-
bay, Me.

WHALE FOULS OTTER TRAWL

A whale ran afoul the Boston fish-
ing steamer Whitecap on Georges, the
crew reported on arrival at the Fish
Pier, Boston yesterday, and when the
"fuss" was over the whale departed
apparently unhurt, leaving the White-
cap with a damaged otter trawl that
necessitated suspension of fishing op-
erations a bit ahead of schedule. Com-
ing to the surface in the trawl, the
whale made a mighty struggle and
freed itself from the entanglement. It
then circled the trawler three times,
spouting the while, something that
was interpreted by the fishermen as
a gesture of victory, and then disap-
peared.

BOSTON FLEET SMALLER TODAY

FOURTEEN VESSELS THERE HAVE
MOSTLY GROUND FISH—PRI-
CES LITTLE STRONGER.

A fleet of 14 vessels furnished the
supply at the Boston fish pier this
morning. Receipts aggregated 465-
000 pounds of groundfish, 39,000 pounds
of fresh mackerel, 73 swordfish, 22,000
pounds of blink mackerel, 40,000
pounds of mixed fish. Prices were
a little higher and firmer, particularly
on groundfish.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Str. Trimount, 73,000 haddock, 13,000
cod, 22,000 mixed fish.
Str. Heron, 130,000 haddock, 4000 cod,
1600 mixed fish.
Str. Ripple, 100,000 haddock, 19,000
cod, 2500 pollock.
Sch. Stranger, 27,000 haddock, 1500
cod, 7500 mixed fish.
Boat Olympia, 20,000 mackerel, 22,000
blinks.
Boat Angie and Mary, 11,000 mack-
erel.
Boat Salvatore, 8000 mackerel.
Sch. Restless, 27 swordfish.
Sch. Sagittarius, 46 swordfish.
Boat Mao IV., 10,000 haddock, 1000
cod.
Boat Bettina, 15,000 haddock, 1500
cod, 3300 mixed fish.
Boat Vagabond, 59,000 haddock, 3000
cod, 6000 mixed fish.
Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 2000 had-
dock, 4000 cod.
Boat Serafina, 6500 mixed fish.
Haddock, \$2.25 per cwt.; large cod,
\$3.50; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.50;
pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$2; gray sole, 5
cents per pound; lemon sole, 6 1/2 cents;
black backs, 3 1/2 cents; yellow tails, 4
cents; dabs, 4 cents; mackerel, 6.50 to
6.75 cents; blinks, 2 cents to 2 1/2 cents;
catfish, 5 cents; swordfish 12, 18 and
19 cents.

T WHARF COMPANY IN BANKRUPTCY

The T Wharf Fish Company, whole-
sale fish dealers of Atlantic avenue,
filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition in
the federal court yesterday, declaring
its liabilities to be \$25,942, and assets
\$8103.

The T Wharf Fish Company, located
at 150 Atlantic avenue, near the cele-
brated old pier which formerly housed
Boston's fish industry, was established
about 10 years ago, and was one of the
largest fish concerns doing business on
the city side of the harbor.

Charles E. Burns, of South Duxbury,
is listed as president.

N. F. Herring News.

Herring are plentiful in Newfound-
land this season, according to the crew
of the Newfoundland schooner Frank
Baxter, a former Lunenburg fishing
schooner, which reported at Halifax,
on Monday last, from Twillingate,
N. F., with a cargo of 1400 barrels of
herring, consigned to H. R. Silver and
Company. This is the second large car-
go of herring to arrive from New-
foundland during the past two weeks,
and it is reported that the schooner
Dazzle, Capt. Vaters, is also bound to
Halifax, with a similar cargo.

CANADIAN CRAFT ARRIVES FROM PROVINCES WITH SALT FISH.

There were three seiners here this
morning, two of them having small
fares of large mackerel and the other
a few blinks. Fog last night prevent-
ed fishing, and many of the fleet re-
mained in port until this morning.

The British schooner Seretha with
115,000 pounds of salt fish came in
during the night from Nova Scotia for
the Frank C. Pearce Company, and
the halibuter Natalie Hammond
brought some salt and fresh fish from
Boston for the Booth Fisheries Com-
pany. There were no other arrivals.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
British sch. Seretha, Nova Scotian
ports, 115,000 lbs. salt fish.
Sch. Natalie Hammond, via Boston,
35,000 lbs. fresh fish, 18,000 salt fish.
Sch. Josephine and Mary, seining,
1700 lbs./large mackerel.
Boat Little Joe, seining, 2700 lbs.
blink mackerel.
Sch. Julia, seining, 3000 lbs. large
mackerel.
Sch. Teazer, via Boston.
Sch. William L. Putnam, via Bos-
ton.
Boat Lucia, via Boston.
Sch. Ingomar, via Boston.
Sch. Carrie S. Roderick, via Boston.
Sch. Philip P. Manta, via Boston.
Sch. Newcastle, via Boston.

Sailed.

Br. sch. Philip J., Nova Scotia port.

On the Railways.

Tug Beatrice and sch. Ingomar are
on Parkhurst's railways.
Boat Fannie Powell and Mary A.,
are on Rocky Neck railways.

Changing Over.

Sch. Governor Al. Smith has chang-
ed over from swordfishing to flounder
dragging and will get underway next
week.

Quiet Day at N. Y.

There were no arrivals and no
groundfish in the New York market
this morning.

N. S. Dried Codfish.

There is not much news to relate
about the dried fish markets at the
present time; there scarcely ever is in
the month of July. The news from
Porto Rico, the market in which we
are most interested, is that business
continues dull, and that sales are giv-
ing returns to shippers here of only
\$7.57 per quintal. Such returns, we
may say, are not encouraging to those
shippers who for the catch of the sec-
ond spring trip of the Lunenburg fleet,
paid \$7.50 per quintal for large, and \$7
for small. Incidentally, for the catch
of the same trip last year, they paid
only \$6.75 for both large and small
fish, and the quantity purchased was
practically the same as this year.

There is no news from the Lunen-
burg fleet now on its summer trip; in
fact, the only news we have of the
summer codfishery is from the North
Shore of the St. Lawrence, and it is
discouraging, because it tells of the de-
struction inflicted on the fishery there
by schools of white porpoises. The
situation as reported is very distressing
to the local fishermen, and further-
more it threatens to create a shortage
in the supply of a particular class of
dried fish of which in recent years
there has scarcely been enough for
world market needs.

Early news from Labrador reported
good fishing, but nothing has been
heard here from that district of late.
Newfoundland's summer fishing, ac-
cording to late reports, has been disap-
pointing.

It is yet too early to attempt an es-
timate of what the world catch of cod-
fish for 1929 will be, or as to the pros-
pective tendency of market prices.
Iceland has had a very large catch this
season, and so, too, has Norway. For
a time, Iceland fish were selling at very
low prices, but recently they have
slightly stiffened though still very low.
Iceland, as our readers know, has in
recent years become a very serious
menace to other countries engaged in
the industry of cod fishing, and there
is reason to fear that she is likely to
become a still greater menace in the
future. Her competition with us is
more direct, but she has been cutting
into the trade of Newfoundland in
certain European markets which the
latter had more or less considered as
her own for years.—Maritime Mer-
chant.